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REPORTS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUBSIDIARY BODIES

Compendium of draft proposals from subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council requiring action by the Council or brought to its attention

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

The following decision of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights is brought to the attention of the Council.

Extraordinary additional session of the pre-sessional working group of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (20-24 April 1998)

The Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,

Underlining the importance attached to the adoption of General Comments,

Noting that it has only been able to adopt seven such General Comments since its establishment in 1987,

Recalling its decision of May 1997 to initiate the drafting of a range of General Comments for consideration and adoption by the Committee over the next two years or so,

Having concluded that the most efficient manner or proceeding is to entrust a working group with responsibility for undertaking a careful initial review and revision of drafts to be prepared by individual members,

Decides to schedule on an exceptional basis from within existing resources, a one-week ad hoc working group meeting of five members specifically designated for that purpose, immediately before its eighteenth session, in April 1998,

Requests the Secretariat to take whatever steps may be necessary to facilitate this meeting.